ST. LOUIS, MO., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1900.

# **ROBERTS TAKES** A BOLD STAND.

# Dramatically Declares That the House May Exclude, but Cannot Shame Him.

Littlefield of Maine, Who Succeeds the Late Mr. Dingley, Makes a Speech That May Defeat the Majority and Carry the Minority Report.

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he could hear with more ease.

There were no demonstrations through- the Pole

between the majority and minority was as to whether he should be excluded or expelled. The constitutional quantizations, age and inhabitancy, Mr. Littledela argued, could not be added to. If they could and the House now excluded a member because he was guilty of polygamous practices, next the Mouse of polygamous practices, next to the country of polygamous practices, next to the country of the he was guilty of polygamous practices, next year it might exclude for adultery or because a member was an attorney for a trust, or an octopus, or for any other reatrust, or an octopus, or for any other reatrust, or an octopus, or for any other reatrust. was a constitutional right,

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for acts committed | amourated against him, before his entrance

into the House, citing tion. First he went back to the case of John Wilkes, the famous English cham pion of free speech, who was three times excluded and twice expelled from the House years before. He quoted from Junius's let-

lead to a compression proposition.

Miss Raberts, daughter of Mr. Roberts, was in the reserved railery throughout the dehate to-day. The debate will close next Thursday at 429 p. m.

Mr. Roberts was in the zeat which be Mr. Roberts was in the zeat which be States had been accupying on the extreme right of the seat of

ory neck was craised to catch a glimper of him. He appeared conscious of the animiton he was attracting, and, after he liting over some papers, left his sent and paced up and down behind the railing white allevides the floor from the lobby. He left the hall a few minutes before the savel fell and was not present when the chaplan delivered his invocation. He returned almost immediately thereafter, however.

Nearly every member was in his next a few minutes later, when Mr. Lattlefe if a defends of the translation of the minutes in the solution of the minutes had a few minutes later, when Mr. Lattlefe if a defend in the Health of the arms had been placed in the health of the arms had been placed in the health of the covered with invest, when the sent in the literal task of Speaker is the minutes later, when Mr. Taylor of Oblo, chairman of the special committee which investigated the case, are from both seathers, then chairmen of the imposition of the minutes in the floor the Spains in the following the first tent of the minutes is the covered with investigated the case, are from the floor of the remaining the first the floor the floor and the minutes in the floor that the minutes is the minutes of the minutes in the floor the spain decided in the first the floor the spain when it is a form the floor the floor the floor the state of the minutes in the floor the floor

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which Utch was admitted into the Union.
There were no demonstrations throughout at the consecution of Mr. Taylor's speech, but at the consecution he was vigorously applicated.

Mr. Littlefield of Maine, on behalf of the minority of the committee, then arose in support of the minority's plan of seating send then expelling Mr. Roberts. He made a deep impression upon the House in instinction of the integrity, honesty and ability of the committee, but he could not concede its judgment. The only issue capacity. The embarson instance is the majority and painted from their traditions of the majority and painted from their traditions. If a benefit of the specific plants at Davis at Previous tradition of the majority and painted from the following excepting that in the critical same of the small words were opinited:

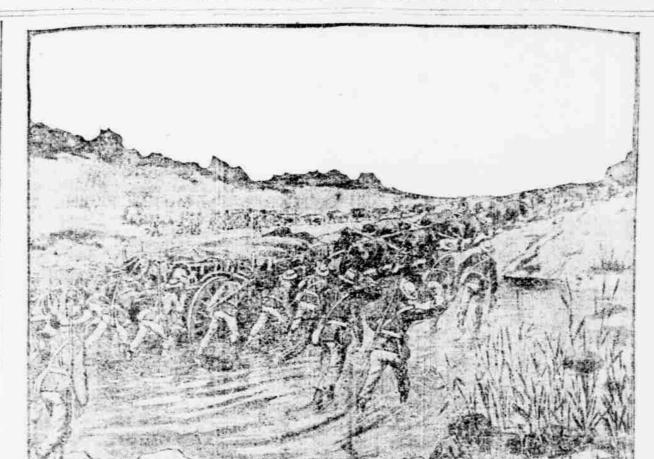
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Ite took issue with a plurality of wives had been elected to the majority as to the Concress. The cry had gone up that the power of the House to expel a member extraordinary proceedings had been in-

"For a few moments," said Mr. Roberts,
"I want to pay attention to the nature of this crime, not with a view of showing them that the American people have not the purpose of defending polygamy either;

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HOW THE BRITISH NAVAL BRIGADE TOOK THEIR HEAVY GUNS TO THE FRONT

# TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

and colder Thursday; southerly, shifting to westerly winds. For Hillingis-Fair Wednesday; part-

ly cloudy Thursday, with rain or southeast winds. For Arkansas-Falr Wednesday and Thursday; southerly winds,

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2. Physica Med's League Picture Support.

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12. Financial News.

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## ADMINISTRATION ALARMED.

Webster Davis's Trip Causes Com ment in Washington.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Washington, Jun. 22-The visit of Webster Buyls, Amistant Secretary of the Interior, to South Africa and his intention to visit Pretoria were the subjects of discussion at the Cablact meeting to-day. Davis's borrow-picut, because, since he holds an imboaled to in Mr. int. In which to reset the side of the cuts.

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This promosition, soon race, and he was in cuts may resist. There is nothing to justify the belief, which There is nothing to justify the belief, which

majority resolution to exclude him PRESEXTS HIS institute was a difopened in support of the majority resultations. He spoke clearly and with great characteristics. When he began Mr. Roterts characteristics, when he began Mr. Roterts characteristics and the could agree although the matter the opening for the administration which gave him a fat job; and, having worn the could agree although the position in one near the could agree although the special countries. ference of uphalon as since he entered the Interior Department.

that exclusion was in hormony with preve-dent; expulsion in violation of it. He am-plified the three grounds for Mr. Roberts's exclusion, first, because of his violation of the Edmunds set; second, because he was living in open, flagrant and notorious viola-tion of the statutes of the Courses he seeks to enter, and, third, because his elec-tion was a violation of the compact by which Utch was admitted into the Union. There were no dominated in the traveling in a striction on his return. The administration of the semination was convinced with the minority that the house hid no right to exclude him, and with the matrix time, once admitted, he could not be expelled. The result of the third of the congress he was a work on the constant of the congress he was a five for the congress had no right to exclude him, and with the matrix time, once admitted, he could not be expelled. The configuration of the congress he was a five for the congress he was a five for the congress had no right to exclude him, and the matrix time on his return. The administration, however, is greatly distressed that any one connected with its miss the thought to sympathic with the miss the shell of the stream of the congress he was a five for the congress had no right to exclude him, and the provided with the minority that the house of the that any one connected with its miss the through the stream of the congress he was convicted with the minority that the house of the that any one connected with its miss to exclude him, and distressed that any one connected with its miss to exclude him the administration. The administration of the substitution of the substitution of the substitution of in a strictly priorite capacity. The embar-mesment of the Republicans at Davis's

the Democracs, most cordial welcome, "CHAMP CLARK."

## YEOMANRY STAFF BLUNDERS.

Incapacity May Cause the Movement to Fail.

London, Jan. 22 - The indignation and disgost expressed at the blunders and incapacity of the Yeomanry staff, to whom is ascribed the rank fallure threatening to everwhelm the movement which started with such a fanfare of trumpets, are increasing daily.

Those who were able to carry the scheme

to success have been met at every turn with red tape and all kinds of obstacles and slights by the inner circle of titled incapables, resulting in scores of good men withdrawing from participation in the plans, In the case of South Bedfordshire yea-manry, a whole company of 170 selected men anry, n whole company of as disbanded in disgust.

# LEADING TOPICS NATAL NEWS FROM THE BOERS' HEADQUARTERS.

# White's Headquarters in Ladysmith Shattered by a Shell-Joubert and Steyn Together on the Firing Line.

6.000 Thirtish,

checked the British advance yesterday morning, it was expected that there would be

Generals Botha and Cronja held the high bills, over which the read to Ladysmith pussed. When the Mauser fire opened a

#### pandemonium of sound filled the air. The visilictive erash of lyddite shells, the sharp volleys of Les-Metfords and the whipli **Execution Among British** crack of Mausers were interperred with Was Manifest at Sunrise.

did the Generals escape unscathed.

At the central position, Swarzkop, the other road to Ladysmith crorses the hills, The Smith advanced from low keeps on the banks of Tagels unmelected. Then they entered the zone of Mauser fire, and, although their naval gams kint up the usual terrible rocket, the advance was stopped and the British had to count out their deal

Communitant Villoen and two burghers were knocked senseless by an explosion of but Commandant Viljoen recovered. Field Corner Helikeon was wounded, and, on refusing to surrender, was shot, The British loss probably was insignificant. They complain that expansive bullets

in Mausers were found in the field, and soft-nowed butters with Ler-Matfords, Boars admit that sporting Mausers were occasionally found, but they deny the charge respecting expansive bullets. Not a shot was fired by the Boers with cannon or rife at the Swartzkop position

this side of the river. One thousand infantry and a battery advanced into the second row of low bills be-

tween the republicans and the river. Heavy cangonaling proceeded at a range of 2,000 yards, but the Boers maintained the ellines of death. This must have singuered the British, as the advance was stopped, and this morning they had restred to their Hend Lauger, Ladysmith, Natal, Saturday, Jan 20.-The sixty-minth birthday of

was celebrated by General Boths, making a reconnelmance in force toward the Drakensberg Mountains and turning the Brillish advance after a short

General Jonbert accompanied President Steyn to the Free State Innuers south of Ladysmith. The President was in high spirits. He proposes to make a tour of ail the laagers. Ladysmith sent up many colored rockets last night.

(The Boer movement on the British advance above referred to may have reference to General Warren's forward fighting, in which, according to advices from British

# How Warren Was Forced To Make a Frontal Attack.

sources received yesterday, the Boers were on the defensive almost the entire day Sunday, save once, when they attempted to outflank the Erftish left and were signally checkmated. It probably, however, refers to Warren's attempt to march north, which falled. According to yesterday's dispatches Warren was forced to turn back and make a frontal attack, whereas his original plan was to turn the Boers' right flank.)

The buttle ented with darkness, but not

without evidences of execution among the

Field Cornet Ernst Emile was killed, nor

British that were manifest at sources,

Boar Camp, Upper Togela River, Friday, Jan. 19. The British now occupy three positions along the Tugela River. Their naval gues have been firing steel-pointed atmor-Reports being received that 2,000 British cavalry were attempting to outflank us along the Drakensberg Eldge, a strong pairol was sent to reconnecter. Mistaking the

signals, the scouts and partol proceeded to a kepte, from whence a terrific rifle and maxim-gun fire suddenly opened. The Boers lost fouriern men killed and twenty wounded. The British loss probably was insignificant. The bombardment of the Boer positions from Swartzkop was resumed yesterday.

chiefly from a battery brought across the river. In the afternoon, the cannonading

became exceedingly brick and under cover thereof the infantry advanced in three lines to second row of kepies, which they occupied at nightfall, but later they retired to their old position. During the right, a score of shells were fired by the British, and a balloon was sent up to spy out the Boer positions,

The naval guns resumed the bombardment this morning from a new position, but without results. The three British positions are old Chieveley Carap, near Colouso; the control

## Boers Are Familiar With Positions of the British.

position at Swartzkop Drift, where they held both banks of the river, and a point higher up in the direction of Zunckies. There they have bridged the river and established an immense commissariat. On a summit of the ferraces at Swartzkop, they have placed five naval gums, and have brought the field artillery across the river to a antall kopie on the northern bank, whence they keep up an increasant and terrific cannonading on the Boer trenches. Since the beginning of the week, com-

munication with the different positions has been kept up under the ordeal of this cannonade, the casualties resulting from this being heavier than these occurring at Colenso. One of the shells from the naval guns killed a father and son, Free Staters, who were chatting at the time. Strangely, neither had any visible wounds. Pretoria, Sunday, Jan. 21.-A dispatch from Colenso, of Thursday, January 18, says a patrol of 300 men, under Field Cornet Opperman, while scouting, was surrounded. but succeeded in fighting its way back. It is reported that four men were killed and that thirty were wounded and wade priso ners

# AMIGHTATTACK

Desperate Effort in the Darkness to Dislodge Boers.

CANNONADE FAILS.

Warren Used His Rig Guns, but Without Effect.

GAINED NO GROUND.

Three British Assaults Were Repulsed Monday.

London, Jan. 2k-Clopyright, 1900, by W. R. Henrst.,-Lord Wob seley, the Marquis of Lansdowne, A. J. Balfour and all the high only cials of the War Office are at their SITUATION SUMMARIZED. posts, anxiously awaiting news of the night assault on Spion Kop, was about to make.

He is doing the most dangerous thing in modern warfare-making an attack on a fortified hill, under cover of darkness. Bloody fighting is going on this night. British | SPECIAL BY CABLE soldiers are climbing the sides of a London, Wednesday, Jan. M .- Copyright, rocky mountain, digging their fin- After a most antious day for the cathre gers and toes into the crevices, sliding, slipping back, falling, facing a deadly fire, which they are anable to answer, trusting only to their bayonets; commands leadernight, striving only to reach the top and stick the cold steel into the men

It is no wonder that the War Office is all lit up. For Buller's. army must do or die in this fight.

# BULLER'S REPORT.

London, Jan. 24, 2:15 a. m --Contrary to the appouncement made shortly before midnight by the War Office that nothing further would be issued until Wednesday forenoon, the following dispatch from General Buller, dated Spearman's Camp, January 23,

6:20 p. m., has just been posted: "Warren holds the position he gained two days ago. In front of him, at about 1,400 yards, is the enemy's position, west of Spion Kop. It is on higher ground than Warren's position, so it is impossible to see into it properly.

"It can be approached only over bare, open slopes, and the ridges held by Warren are so steep that guns cannot be placed on them. But we are shelling the enemy's position with howitzers and field artillery placed on lower ground, be hind infantry.

"The enemy is replying with Creusot and other artillery. In this duel the advantage rests with us, as we appear to be searching his trenches and his artillery fire is not causing much loss."

"An attempt will be made tonight to seize Spion Kop, the slant of which forms the left of the enemy's position facing Trichard's Drift, and which divides it from the position facing Potgieter's salied. Drift. It has considerable comtrenchments."

The earlier dispatches posted at the War Office, though dated Spearman's Camp to day, contain nothing but reports of casualties, ton Homes, which was strongly intremched by the Boart. As it would have been impos-General Buller reports that the wounded January 20 included:

Second Lancashire-Captains Dod. Whyte and Ormond and Lieutenant Campbell.

West Surreys-Captains Baitt

(since dead) and Warden and Lieutenants Smith and Wedd. York and Lancaster Regiment-Lieutenants Halford and Duck-

worth.

Staff Captain Dallas. Field Marshal Lord Roberts reports from Cape Town that the war

BRITISH THRICE REPULSED.

Pretoria, Monday, via Lorenzo

situation is unchanged.

Marquez, Tuesday, Jan. 23.-Ac

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#### which Buller cabled last night he Buller's Order for a Night Attack Considered a Last Resort.

nd which he had won.

were curried out, the attack has been made. and the British have either struck a decise blow for the relief of Ludysmith, or

have—as was the case with their previous night nitacks—been forced back by the ritle blast from the Boer trenches. long stience and the admission that all Warren has been unable to gain other ground by the methods employed at he had not been able to advance for no days all indicate that General Buller ained to make a night attack as

Bufors midnight, rumors flow thick and ast. A great growd gathered at the War intelligence to impart. Mr. Balfour was one of the callers. The reports during the afternoon, which

post the Stock Exchange, to the effect that inneral Warren had been defeated and had at two battalions as prisoners, while not had a marked effect upon the Buller's long sllence still further personal the gloo

an progressing favorably for the British The Night Attack. When London will know the result of the sight attack will depend largely upon whether the Brillish are successful. and the news should reach here some

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ow many hours may clapse h inclish couple are taken into the confidence f the Government.
As no the fighting, all the intelligen e re-

From the liner langer at Ladysmith came agreements on the Oliver's Hock road, be-Protorius and a British force es-

or but been going on at Smon Kun. The road to Oliver's Hock passes through cton Homes, so that the earlier part of a measure refers to the action of Saturatral point of the Bour position was as-

From Ceneral Builer's dispatch, General days previous, so that if an attack was made

It was General Warren's original intention to make a wide detour from Trichard's built weekward, but the progress of his left. ing was stopped on reaching the ridge moing down from Spion Kop toward Acdide to secure communications and frans-sort past this obstacle, the General returned o Trichard's Drift on Saturday and began s series of engagements.

According to General Buller, the Borr po-ection is rather more elevated than his and about three-quarters of a mile of. The Britsh infantry could not advance in daylight over the open slope. To General Warren this scheme appeared out of the question rapid walk to Ladysmith, for the Boer retreat now seems to have been a tactical re-treat only, and they still hold the key 'o

# BOERS NOT DISLODGED.

Heavy Firing Reported in the Colesberg District.

Pretoria, Sunday, Jan. 21.-A dispatch from Colesberg, Cape Colony, says that the British attacked the Boor positions there at 10 o'clock this morning. There was heavy fighting, but with what result is not known. According to the latest ac-counts the Boers were holding their post-